

**CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: Department of Toxic Substances Control
Tiered Permitting Corrective Action
5796 Corporate Avenue
Cypress, California 90630

Project Title: Corrective Measures Proposal for Cleanup at the Former Specification Chrome and Western Plating and Polishing

Project Location: The project site is located at 694 and 708-738 West Francisco Boulevard, San Rafael, California 94901

Project Description: The project is the mitigation of onsite soil containing metals and volatile organic compounds that exceed the project-specific human health and groundwater quality protection cleanup goals developed for a commercial/industrial land use scenario. Approximately 325 cubic yards (approximately 27 truckloads) of soil will be excavated and disposed of offsite at a permitted landfill. After completion of soil excavation and disposal activities a land use covenant restricting future land uses to commercial/industrial uses will be recorded with the County Recorder's Office. The field work is proposed to begin in April 2008 and is projected to last approximately 60 days to complete.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Toxic Substances Control

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Baxter Family Trust (Respondent) and PES Environmental (environmental contractor)

Exemption Status:

- ☒ Class 30 Categorical Exemption: Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §15330
☐ General Rule: Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §15061(b)(3)

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

- ☒ Use the following language for Categorical Exemption Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §15330:

DTSC has determined that the project is a Class 30 categorical exemption project (as provided in California Code of Regulations, title 14, sections 15300.2 and 15330) and is, therefore, exempt from the provisions of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the Guidelines for the following reasons:

1. The project is a cleanup action to be taken to prevent, minimize, stabilize, mitigate, or eliminate the release or threat of release of a hazardous waste or substance.
2. The project is a removal action costing \$1 million or less.
3. The project will not be located on a site which is included on any list compiled pursuant to Cal. Gov. Code § 65962.5 (<http://calepa.ca.gov/sitecleanup/corteselist/default.htm>)
4. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances.
5. The project will not result in damage to scenic resources, including but not limited to, trees, historic buildings, rock outcroppings, or similar resources, within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway.
6. The project will not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.
7. The project will not require onsite use of a hazardous waste incinerator or thermal treatment unit.
8. The project will not require the relocation of residences or businesses.
9. The project will not involve the potential release into the air of volatile organic compounds as defined in Health and safety Code section 25123.6 [if applicable: except for small scale in situ soil vapor extraction and treatment systems which have been permitted by the local Air Pollution Control District (APCD) or Air Quality Management District (AQMD)].
10. The cumulative impact of successive projects of the same type on the same place, over time, if there are any, will not be significant.

Evidence to support the above reasons is documented in the project file record, available for inspection at:

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APPROVALS

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